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## **THE PROJECT STIGMA REPORT ON THE CONTINUING INVESTIGATION INTO THE OCCURRENCE OF ANIMAL MUTILATIONS**

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## UPDATE - 1979

Since the appearance of STIGMATA No. 7, we have learned of reported mutilations in Wyoming (Platte County), Colorado (Huerfano, Las Animas, El Paso Counties), Kansas (Meade County), Texas (Wise County) and rumors of cases in southern and southeastern Oklahoma. (Credit: Linda M. Howe, David Perkins, Lou Girodo, Mrs. Stanley Post, Tommy R. Blann). We will examine the situation in three other states below:

### Arkansas

For a brief run-down of events in Arkansas, see STIGMATA No. 7. The concerted mute attack began to cease by Labor Day, around the time mutilations were occurring more frequently in western Canada. Unlike in the Canadian situation, there were numerous reports of unidentified helicopters near the time and location of mutilations in north-central Arkansas, an area in which 18 missile sites are located, serviced by three helicopters which operate out of Little Rock Air Force Base. At a meeting in August, Arkansas Humane Association official B.J. Kready and others asked Arkansas Governor Bill Clinton to appoint a task force to study the mutilation problem. The governor provided meeting space for an informal group but refused to appoint the task force. By the time another meeting was held in October, the task force idea had "crumpled" and interest appeared to have long-since-peaked. In a controversial experiment, Washington County (Fayetteville) sheriff's officers periodically photographed the carcass of a sick cow that had intentionally been "put to sleep" and left in a field. The officials involved claimed that the carcass had been attacked during the period by predators and the results looked like what had previously been thought of as a "classic" mutilation. After that September experiment, most officials and agencies wrote off the majority of the Arkansas mutes as predator-caused following natural deaths. But the official experiment was not without its detractors. Dr. Gary White, an Ozark vet, said two carcasses he autopsied were "done by someone skilled, someone with sharp instruments". Former Benton County Deputy Don Rystrom (who investigated many NW Arkansas mute cases and had one of his own animals victimized, and witnessed a helicopter-like UFO) called the experiment "a bunch of bullshit". (Credit: Lucius Farish of the UFO Newsclipping Service, Plumerville, Arkansas ; Dr. Nancy H. Owen, Univ. of Arkansas).

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### Iowa

Eight cattle mutes occurred in five Iowa counties in the last half of 1979 (Polk, Black Hawk, Hardin, Washington and Boone Counties). In Black Hawk County, the first mutilation of 1980 was reported on or about January 18th. The Iowa Division of Criminal Investigation has been looking into the possibility of cultist involvement. The DCI drew criticism when they tried to subpoena records of the Des Moines public library to check out the identities of individuals checking out books on the occult. DCI Chief Gerald Shanahan, who had seen STIGMATA #5, noted that the photos of mutilated animals in that issue (from Natrona Co., Wyoming and Van Zandt Co., Texas) were "carbon copies" of the Iowa cases. Mutilations in general at last became "legitimate" news when NEWSWEEK briefly reported on the recent Iowa cases in its edition of January 21, 1980. (Credit: Peter Jordan, Grant Callison, Nancy Raffensperger, Gerald Shanahan).

### Nebraska

Seward County - A 300-lb., 4½-month-old Angus-Hereford cross heifer died on the weekend of September 8-9 on the Clarence Ihde farm near Beaver Crossing. Ihde reported that the animal's top jaw was skinned back to the eyes, its tongue and several lower teeth had apparently been cut out and the lower jaw was skinned back to the throat: "Just the jawbones remained to be seen." State Patrol Investigator George Fauver said there was evidence of "man-made incisions", despite a University of Nebraska-Lincoln report which suggested that predators could be responsible. Ihde added that the autopsy report showed that the animal's skull had been fractured and he said his other animals "seemed more scared for a few days". (Credit: OMAHA WORLD-HERALD, 9-11-79 & 9-20-79; Carol Werkmeister, Study on Animal Mutilations).

Perkins County - Two mutes occurred in the Madrid area in late August-early September. Rancher Earl Nutt filed a report with Project Stigma on his case. When he found the cow around 4:00 PM on August 27th, Mr. Nutt judged it had been dead 10-12 hours. Though coyotes frequent the area, no predators touch the carcass, from which was removed all of the meat from the shoulder blade to within 8-10" of the ear, plus the tongue. Two helicopters and a slowly-flying white plane had flown over the area previously. (Credit: George Gengenbach, Earl Nutt).

# LETTERS

My interest in reading STIGMATA was to see whether there was a rationale for explaining "slow motion mutilation of humans". What I have in mind is the existence and use of highly sophisticated equipment which can surveill a human; i.e., see and overhear conversations (even when cloistered within the walls of otherwise optically opaque confines) and secondly to debilitate him clinically. Not knowing all of the gory details of mutes, I thought perhaps that such equipment was responsible as part of a training program to prepare personnel to use such hypothesized equipment. Having now read STIGMATA, I can offer a scenario that embraces both issues.

Before we get into the issue, you will see that I am simplifying the explanation of the source of mutes but at the expense of embracing a far more insidious and more insoluble problem.

To start things off, let us consider first a model problem. I have in mind "The Prisoner", a TV series dealing largely with a 1984-type society. Frequently, in this Psycho-Sci-Fi story, scenes are shown of surveillance-headquarters. Personnel are shown who man equipment used in surveillance. On occasion such personnel are called upon to zoom in on a person, who may be sleeping at the time, and in some way bother, annoy, or do something else unethical. The question posed is - what sort of training do such staff members undergo and what sort of ancillary exercises are necessary to maintain skills, proficiency, etc.? Also, just what makes such a person tick?

And now a short step into the real world - maybe:

(a) Refer to Peter Watson's book, WAR ON THE MIND (Basic Books, 1978, p. 242). Chapter twelve deals with atrocity research. With regard to ex-servicemen who had committed atrocities in Vietnam: "All the men went to psychiatrists in order to confess their part in atrocities in the Vietnam War ... The incidents reported ranged from mistreating prisoners (military and civilian) to mutilating the bodies of dead Vietnamese - cutting off ears, genitals and breasts." Watson continues, "These studies suggest that although the conditions of war may make anyone a potential mass murderer, some men are more prone to kill indiscriminately than others."



(b) Two books of note have surfaced. The first is **TECHNO SPIES** by Ford Rowan (Putnam) and **SPOOKS - THE HAUNTING OF AMERICA** by Jim Hougan (Morrow). The latter reference has nothing to do with ghosts. **TECHNO SPIES** deals in part with the types of government personnel who fancy themselves to be super patriots who can do no wrong and are the custodians of our system. They seek ways to protect the system from threats as they perceive them. In part this can have translated into the Animal House mentality typified by the quote of one George White in John Marks' book on CIA Mind Control studies (**THE SEARCH FOR THE MANCHURIAN CANDIDATE**) - namely, "Where else could a red-blooded American boy lie, cheat, steal, rape and pillage with the sanction and blessing of the All-Highest?" (p. 101). Hougan's book illustrates further the types of personnel who are trained in a Techno-spy background and leave the government service for other sectors.

(c) Suppose there exists in combination: surveillance headquarters, maybe a prototype of the one that we taxpayers funded which was lost in Iran recently, and a class of satellites which are similar to or are advanced forms of SALT II verifiers. Suppose further that these satellites can "see" with super-focused EMR (note: electro-magnetic radiation) of wavelength much longer than 7,000 Angstrom units, say more like the order of centimeters. Then it follows that individuals could be "seen" and also could endure all the rights and privileges of individuals who are illuminated (call them "lumes") with long wavelength EMR. To find out the consequences of illumination with long-wavelength EMR, consult Paul Brodeur's **THE ZAPPING OF AMERICA** (W.W. Norton, 1977). Another good reference is **BIBLIOGRAPHY OF REPORTED BIOLOGICAL PHENOMENA ("Effects") and CLINICAL MANIFESTATIONS ATTRIBUTED TO MICROWAVE AND RADIO-FREQUENCY RADIATION** by Zorach R. Glaser re: NTIS-AD-750-271. Thus, lumes could be seen remotely and would endure in slow-motion the various types of maladies attributable to illumination of this sort (for whatever reason).

(d) Finally, if personnel staffed such hypothetical equipment, the question is - what sort of people would they be and further, what sort of additional training would they require? Part of the answer resides in **WAR ON THE MIND**. They would have to be savage types who have little regard for life and could easily perpetrate such deeds, particu-

larly, in the name of meeting the best needs of the country. Such patriots are recruited from the characters written about by Hougan and Rowan. And they need just a touch of the Mafia-type view of the value of life.

Now - where does the issue of mutes fit into all of this? Put yourself in the shoes of a psychologist-consultant who must decide on ways to keep skills at a high level. He is dealing with personnel who are on mundane eight-hour shifts. These people are savages who must slowly peck away at a person in methodical fashion. Savagery must be maintained; ferocity must be intensified sporadically. Under such circumstances, it seems reasonable that mutilation of animals would be ordered much as has been described in STIGMATA #4, pp. 6 and 7. The description of the mutilation (last paragraph on p. 9); i.e., the bull sans rectum and sex organs, provides a technician a brief respite while in the act of also committing this very same activity on some tax-paying lume perhaps during a five-year period while the lume and his many diagnosticians witness the transformation from some incipient condition to a full-blown case of cancer of the colon or incontinence or impotence, etc.

Those who are engaged in slowly destroying a lume's eyesight would be revitalized by frequent rapid mutilations which involve removing eyes from the sockets of a cow or bull. The act of mutilating an animal permits the perpetrator to cope with the staleness that otherwise would arise and furnishes an outlet for the technician to see in moments an accomplishment that he otherwise is charged with synthesizing over a very long time in an unsuspecting lume.

So why do it the way it is done; i.e., risk being caught or having one's helicopter shot down? The only answer here is, that to have any value, the act must be committed under some uncertainty. It may not be the same to do the same thing in a corral in the middle of a safe zone ten miles square. Although there is no account of just how many times novices commit these deeds under less demanding circumstances as part of a training program.

So, there you have it - no. 6 for p.22 of STIGMATA #5, as you requested. It would be interesting if you referred to lumes as an extension of mutes and began to log them geographically in the lower for-



ty-eight as you have done for mutes. There is a word of caution, however. You will have begun the generation of a scenario for the transition of the country from what we currently regard it to be to a 1984-type society where Big Brother not only sees you, but in the act of seeing you he also clinically debilitates you. Secondly, there are numerous Mental Health professionals out there of the not unconventional variety who instantly brand a lumb as paranoid schizophrenic. Along these lines, check MADNESS NETWORK NEWS, Autumn 1978. \*Good luck!

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The conflict between local and federal police officials and the suppression of testimony by officers who had carried out thorough investigations in the field, such as Captain Wolverton (editor's note: Capt. Keith Wolverton; Cascade County, Montana Sheriff's Dept.), indicates that a fix has been put in from the top to prevent the facts of the situation from being made public. In my opinion, the cover-up of the mutilations is inextricably linked with other governmental cover-ups: of the real nature of the UFO phenomenon, of the impossibility of disposing of nuclear waste safely, of the disastrous ecological effects of certain agricultural chemical products and pesticides, of the methodic and carefully planned series of major political assassinations, of the deliberately orchestrated shortages and emergencies and wars planned at the Bilderberger and Trilateral meetings.

This is the context within which this conflict between officers like Captain Wolverton and Washington officials who have never even seen a mutilation developed, and it is not separate from the rest of the fabric; it is part of the same material. The same technique of deliberate deception is at work, the same fix is in from the top in all these different areas of cover-up, a blatant mockery of how the U.S. government is supposed to operate. There are times when I wonder if the Nazis really lost the war, or whether Reinhard Gehlen snatched

victory from defeat when Allen Dulles gave him carte blanche to set up and design an American equivalent of the Gestapo: the Central Intelligence Agency. Seen in this context, conflict between Washington officials and local officers who remain loyal to the principles this country was founded on is not surprising.

Some of the information coming through indicates direct government involvement in the mutilations: the fact that many have taken place in the vicinity of nuclear and military installations, the report in STIGMATA #6 of mutilators in Army uniforms beside a landed helicopter, the military surgical instrument found at a mutilation site, and all other significant details in that long letter (pages 16-19, STIGMATA #6). In addition, there is the recent report that traces of decidedly terrestrial drugs such as PCP and mescaline were found in the blood residue of a batch of mutilated cattle.

Other information coming through points just as clearly to direct UFO involvement in the mutilations. The evidence is so overwhelming that there would be no point in trying to summarize it here. One of the most significant aspects of it are the cases where unmarked helicopters have been seen turning into UFOs and vice-versa.

Could it be that both UFOs and the U.S. government are using this method of mutilating animals to monitor nuclear waste build-up in organic life? This would clarify some of the otherwise contradictory and confusing details in the information that comes through.

If both UFOs and the U.S. government are involved in this activity, are they working independently or in collusion? It is common knowledge that the C.I.A. has become a secret government within the government of the U.S. Is a small group of initiates in the tradition of Reinhard Gehlen illegally making decisions for the entire nation, steering us over the precipice to the slaughter? If so, the only defense we citizens have is to blow the cover-up in every way we can in all the different areas it exists, making the linkage between information coming from the different areas. It is not yet 1984, but they've already given us a dollar that isn't worth one silver dime. Conflict between local and federal officials is perfectly understandable.

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# CANADA IN A QUANDARY

The classic animal mutilations have not only been, for the most part, a phenomenon of the 1970's; but, with a few exceptions, they have been restricted to - and at least concentrated in - the 48 contiguous United States. As the decade of the 1970's waned, reports coming from such places as the Canary Islands, the Dominican Republic and Panama suggested at least the possibility that the mutilations may be international in scope. The problem is to determine just how well these cases correlate with the "classic" mutilations in the United States. (We will examine this question in detail in STIGMATA No. 9).

Beginning in May of 1979 and accelerating with the approach of September, the Canadian provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan hosted a series of livestock mutilations, with most reports emanating from Alberta. This mute siege received a great deal of media coverage in Alberta and across Canada (but very little coverage in the U.S.) and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) initiated a probe into it all and installed Corporal Lyn Lauber of Calgary as the coordinator of the investigation.

Though Alberta is not, of course, part of the United States, it is probably the most "Americanized" of the Canadian provinces (if we can be so momentarily brazen to exclude Alberta from the North American continent). Much of what we think of as the spirit of the wide open U.S. "West" is captured in resource-rich, cow-happy, "boomtown" Alberta. But this link is ever more tangible, with optimistically successful "nouveau riche" Albertans investing heavily in U.S. properties and concerns, and with U.S. interests returning the favor. At the same time, countries other than the U.S. are enthusiastically investing in Alberta. According to TIME Magazine ("Canada's Western Energy Boom", Dec. 10, 1979), nearly 60% of prosperous Calgary's population is of non-English-speaking origin, with Germans predominating. And, on a vast "Military Experimental Range" north of Medicine Hat, British and West German tank troops, along with the Canadians, conduct "war games".

The password for understanding present-day Alberta may be the password for all of us in the 1980's - and beyond - energy. Alberta has 85% of Canada's proven or known oil and gas reserves, half of Cana-

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da's coal, major untapped hydropower sites, plus enormous "unconventional" sources of energy - like vast oil-bearing tar sands and heavy bitumen oil which, according to TIME (12-10-79), cannot now be pursued economically, but will become entirely feasible - and crucial - as oil prices continue to rise. This may all seem (and may indeed all be) incidental where our pursuit of the mutilation phenomenon is concerned. Yet among the small band of serious mutilation investigators, one can hear speculation regarding some link between the occurrence of mutilations and the exploration for vital energy sources: petroleum, natural gas or perhaps nuclear fuels. The jury remains out on this. Of course, if we could somehow fathom the criteria for selecting Alberta - or any other place for that matter - as a mutilation site, we would have made a quantum-leap in our understanding of the problem.

It is the intensity of the Alberta-Saskatchewan mutilation wave of the last half of 1979 that cannot be ignored. Actually, indications are that the Canadian mutilations did not begin in 1979, but may extend at least as far back as 1967, the year of the historic "Snippy" case in southern Colorado, along with other mutilations in that same area as well as in Kansas and perhaps even points east. We'll briefly examine some of the earlier Canadian mutilations:

In Alberta in August of 1967, a dead horse was seen near an area over which a domed saucer-craft was seen earlier that same day. The horse's hair appeared singed and no rigor mortis had set in. When the witness returned to the remote site the next day (on the Sarcee Reserve, near Twin Bridges), the horse was gone, leaving the imprint of the carcass where it had lain.

On November 5, 1967, a large UFO was reported near Livingston, Ontario, leaving a sulphurous odor lingering in the area. That night, a horse suffered a long cut on its neck and a second horse was found "dead with its throat and jugular vein cut off yet there was no evidence of blood."

Then on August 19, 1968, near Ashville, Manitoba, the carcass of a three-day-old calf was found, missing its genitals, right front leg



and an ear. The cuts were clean and no blood was in evidence. The carcass turned up missing the next day but was then found a few days later - scarcely decomposed - at another location.

The three cases above are from THE SAUCER PHENOMENON by Kurt Glemser (Kitchener, Ontario, 1970) and were furnished to us by Fortean chronicler Mr. X of the Res Bureaux (P.O. Box 1598; Kingston, Ontario, Canada K7L 5C8), publisher of the RES BUREAUX BULLETIN.

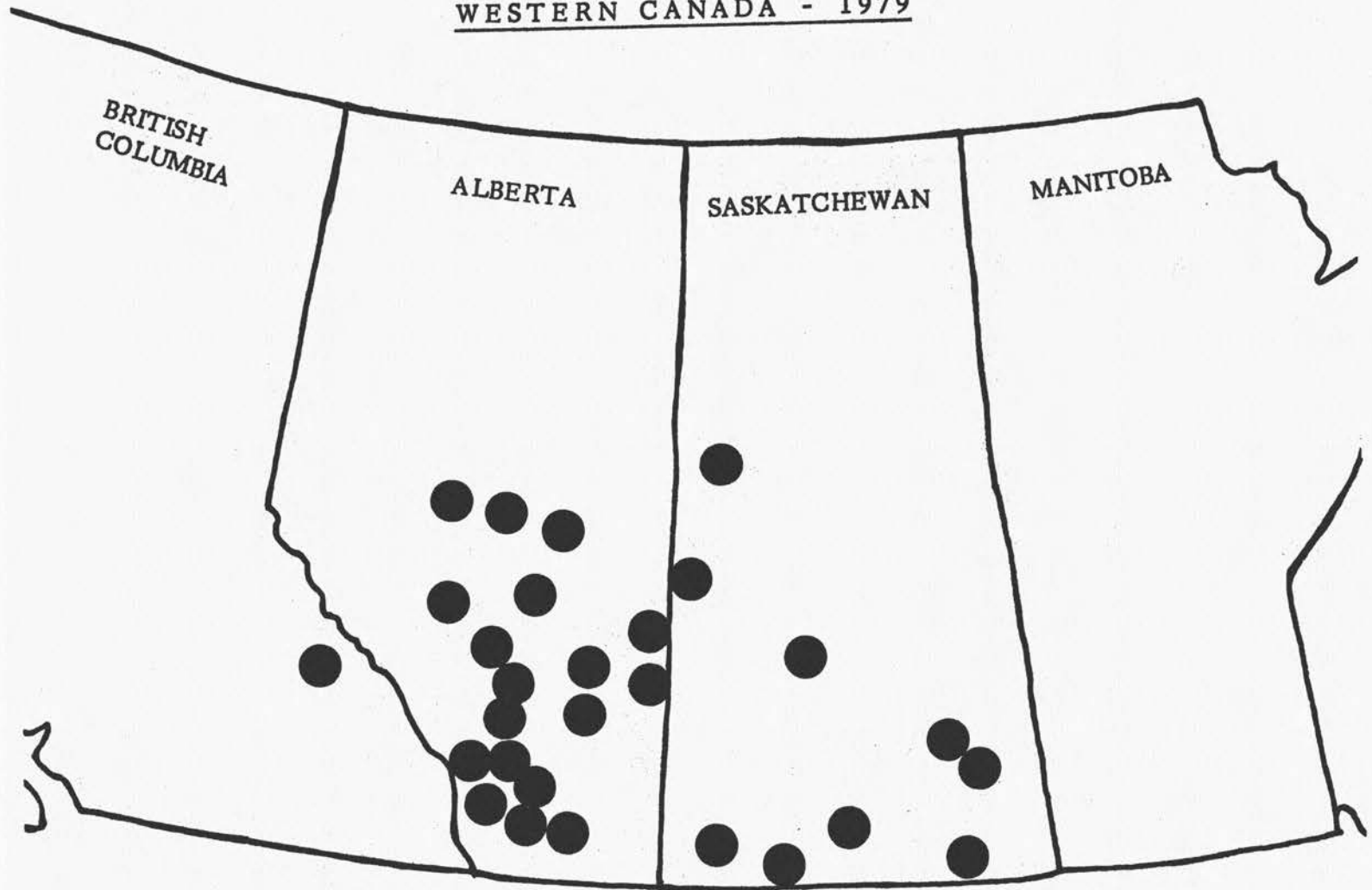
In STIGMATA No. 3, we briefly discussed the following Canadian reports: rumors of mutilations in Ontario in 1975 and Quebec in 1976; horse slashings in Ontario (Mt. Forest area) in 1976; and the mutilation of two horses near Wildwood, Alberta in the Spring of 1976 (with large duck-like prints found in snow at the site).

We are indebted to paranormal writer and researcher Tommy R. Blann of Lewisville, Texas for the following account of an incident which occurred near Teulon, Manitoba on August 14, 1976:

A farmer was taking count of cattle when he noticed that two cattle were missing. He indicated that he takes a count of his cattle daily and keeps a pretty close watch on them. He went in search of them and found both cows looking "like they were dead for years, and charred to the bone." Nearby were some willow trees with a few branches that were facing the cattle that had also been burned and charred. The RCMP investigated, but were unable to arrive at an explanation for the animals' deaths. The farmer did indicate that the RCMP took flesh samples that had been charred, along with some of the charred vegetation.

Tommy Blann had previously informed Project Stigma that mutilations occurred west of Calgary, Alberta in 1977. We have since received additional details on these two cases from Dr. Nancy Johnson Smith of Calgary: (1) June 1977 - a bull with scrotum and penis removed, west of Cochrane, Alberta and (2) July 1977 - a cow missing its udder, also west of Cochrane. According to RCMP Corporal Lyn Lauber, the cutting was "less refined" than on some of the 1979 mutes, and the RCMP says that both animals were "shot". No tracks or

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The areas in which confirmed or suspected animal mutilations have occurred in 1979.



grass swirls were found near either animal.

Mr. X, in his RES BUREAUX BULLETIN (No. 35, 6-15-78), reports on three events occurring in April of 1978. A streak of bright light descended from the sky in Newfoundland, Canada; a strange beam of light flooded a kitchen (causing a radio to "glow") in Victoria, British Columbia; and a beam of light descended on a barn containing six horses in Prince George, British Columbia. Three horses on one side of the barn were apparently unaffected, but the other three were badly frightened. One was struck momentarily unconscious, one kicked both hindlegs through the side of its stall and one horse charged wildly around the barn "as though scared to death". One of the animals exhibited two bare patches of hide as though the hair had been burned out or torn out. Thirteen people observed a UFO (in addition to the "beam") from two different areas of Prince George that same night.

Then, on a farm north of Spillimacheen, British Columbia in November of 1978, a bull was discovered with a half-inch hole penetrating six inches into the back of its head. Part of the bull's genitals had been removed, but there was little or no blood in evidence. (Credit: John Magor via W.K. Allan of Kelowna, B.C.)

As for the 1979 Canadian mutilations, we present the following essentially-chronological catalog. The data listed for each case will be: date of discovery (we'll include the date of death if known or estimated); province, location in reference to the nearest town or community; description of victim animal; parts of carcass missing, and any other pertinent details as known and as space permits:

#### 1979

MAY 30 - ALBERTA - Hand Hills, 24 km. SW of Hanna - bull calf - tail, rectum, penis, scrotum, lips, one ear all missing - dead approx. 4 days.

JUNE - QUEBEC - Ile d'Orleans (or Island of Orleans, in St. Lawrence River, near Quebec City) - young bull - rectum, genitals missing - burns on carcass (thought caused by "naptha").

JULY - SASKATCHEWAN - Saskatoon - quarter horse, still alive - tail, ear cut off.

AUGUST - SASKATCHEWAN - Saskatoon - two horses - both with an ear, tails and manes cut off - other similar unconfirmed reports in the area.

AUGUST 12 - ALBERTA - Blackie - Six-year-old Simmental bull (valued, by some accounts, at \$45,000) - rectum, most of penis, testicles, left ear and tip of tongue removed - no sign of struggle - Former Calgary policeman Don Seney discovered the carcass: "At first I thought of a coyote, but all the cuts were clean - exactly like a knife cut - and the nature of the cuts show signs both of a surgical instrument and knowledge by whoever did this." (CALGARY HERALD, 8-16-79).

AUGUST, 2nd week - ALBERTA - Brooks-Tilley area - two cows and a steer shot by a high-powered rifle - "genitals had been mutilated" - bestiality had been confirmed in a similar incident in this area in October 1978 and was also suspected in these cases.

AUGUST 28 - ALBERTA - 7 km. west of Disbury - 800-lb. steer, with penis and anus removed.

SEPTEMBER - BRITISH COLUMBIA - Harrogate area - female bovine - tiny hole in skull near eye, penetrated skull - an eye and a portion of one ear was missing - local authorities confiscated the head - other cattle in the vicinity have vanished.

SEPTEMBER 9 - SASKATCHEWAN - Marsden - four-year-old Hereford cow - genitals, rectum, teats missing.

SEPTEMBER 9 - SASKATCHEWAN - Cut Knife - cow (no details).

SEPTEMBER 13 - SASKATCHEWAN - Eastend - six-year-old Hereford cow - tongue, udder missing - large hole in rear - dead for perhaps two weeks.

SEPTEMBER 16 - ALBERTA - Sangudo - bull (no details).



SEPTEMBER 21 - ALBERTA - 23 km. SW of Claresholm - bull - genitals, tongue, tip of right ear and right leg removed.

SEPTEMBER 23 - ALBERTA - 5 km. south of Brooks - five-month-old female colt - mammary glands, groin skin, right eye, an ear and part of muzzle removed.

SEPTEMBER 26 - ALBERTA - feed lot 5 mi. NW of Fort Macleod - heifer - reportedly died of blackleg, and was then dragged by feed-lot staff into nearby field - discovered next day to be minus vagina and a piece of one ear - "similar" to other Alberta mutes but "fairly crude" - later designated by RCMP as a "copy cat" mutilation by someone imitating the other "classic mutilations".

SEPTEMBER 26 - ALBERTA - 30 km. SW of Nanton - three-year-old Hereford bull - dead 4 or 5 days - scrotum, right ear and part of tongue missing.

SEPTEMBER 26 - ALBERTA - Twin Butte area - bovine - likely natural causes and predators, according to the RCMP.

SEPTEMBER 27 - ALBERTA - Westward Ho area - one-year-old steer - dead 3 or 4 days - no parts taken - "mischief ruled out".

SEPTEMBER 29 - ALBERTA - Gem - Six-year-old, 1700-lb. Hereford bull - penis missing - line of punctures along brisket.

SEPTEMBER 29 - ALBERTA - 5.5 km. west of Kipp - yearling heifer - tongue, right ear, part of rectum gone.

SEPTEMBER 30 - ALBERTA - Parkland - steer - rectum, tip of both ears removed.

OCTOBER, 1st week - ALBERTA - 5 mi. from Elk Island National Park - three-year-old bull - genitals removed - lay with head folded under carcass.

OCTOBER, 1st week - SASKATCHEWAN - Mossbank - no details.

OCTOBER 1 - ALBERTA - Rocky Mountain House - bull.

OCTOBER 1 - ALBERTA - Tofield - six-month-old Charolais-cross bull - rectum, testicles, part of penis "neatly removed" - bladder removed - "no blood had been spilled" - carcass apparently bruised on neck and shoulder - broken neck suspected - Constable Jim Warren: "It was hard to believe at first, but you can't doubt it when you see one." (ALBERTA REPORT, 10-12-79).

OCTOBER 2 - SASKATCHEWAN - Neudorf area - yearling Charolais - an autopsy was performed by a Melville, Sask. veterinarian, Dr. Cochrane. Editor Denis Corneau of the MELVILLE ADVANCE obtained the following details about the autopsy from Staff Sgt. Don Buchanan of the Melville RCMP:

The autopsy revealed the cow had suffered a rear attack of some nature in which its body had a large hole in the skin just ventral to the vagina. The vulvar lips of the cow's vagina were absent. The hole in the skin was heart-shaped and about 9 cm. by 8 cm. in size. The area bordering the wound was slightly irregular and rough in appearance. A small number of "v-shaped" cuts varying in length from 3 mm. to 9 mm. with their base located toward the opening were present at the periphery of the wound. Certain organs were missing and examination revealed irregular lacerations in the tissue edges. A number of smooth-edged areas around the wound and inside were also found. After performing the autopsy, Dr. Cochrane determined that the wounds had been caused perhaps by a coyote or other carnivorous animal.

Editor Corneau writes that the police and other observers at the site were not satisfied with the autopsy findings, so samples were sent to the Saskatchewan Provincial Veterinary Laboratory in Regina for analysis. There, Dr. M. A. Swendrowski concurred with Dr. Cochrane's opinion.

OCTOBER 4 - ALBERTA - 27 km. west of Claresholm - five-year-old cow - ear, genitals, udder and part of tongue removed - heart believed removed through a 20-cm. hole in left side - no blood at the site.



OCTOBER 4 - ALBERTA - Nanton - yearling steer - anus, penis, sheath, scrotum missing.

OCTOBER 4 - ALBERTA - Blood Reserve, 24 km. west of Lethbridge - 14-year-old Newton Long Time Squirrel saw about nine bright lights in a circle on or near the ground a quarter-mile from his house - The lights took off apparently, though Newton did not actually see them rise - The next thing he knew, the lights were airborne and they suddenly zipped one-by-one over his head, without a sound - Newton's elders found a cow "with a hole where its heart had been" where the lights had first been seen. (LETHBRIDGE HERALD, Oct. 6, 1979).

OCTOBER 6 - ALBERTA - Enoch Band Reserve - three-year-old Charolais bull - dead for perhaps ten days - anus, penis, scrotum missing.

OCTOBER 8 - ALBERTA - 38 km. south of Oyen - Hereford bull.

OCTOBER 8 - ALBERTA - Tofield - seven-year-old cow - bladder missing.

OCTOBER 8 - SASKATCHEWAN - Estevan - bull calf - tongue and tail removed.

OCTOBER, 2nd week - SASKATCHEWAN - 3 mi. south of St. Victor - 2½-year-old bull - genitals missing.

OCTOBER 12 - ALBERTA - 32 km. north of Oyen - Charolais steer.

OCTOBER 13 - ALBERTA - 30 km. west of Fort Macleod - Hereford steer - anus, tongue gone - genitals intact.

OCTOBER 14 - ALBERTA - 7 km. west of Markerville - three-year-old Hereford heifer - udder, genitals, one eye and end of tongue removed. RCMP investigation coordinator Corporal Lyn Lauber: "The cuts were definitely made with a knife." (RED DEER, Alta. ADVOCATE, 10-16-79).

OCTOBER 16 - ALBERTA - Rocky Mountain House - twelve-hour-old calf - lips, throat cut.

OCTOBER 16 - ALBERTA - Rocky Mountain House - seven-year-old Hereford cow - teats, anus, vulva gone.

OCTOBER, mid-month - SASKATCHEWAN - Goodeve - no details.

OCTOBER, 3rd week - SASKATCHEWAN - Ituna area - bull - genitals and tongue missing.

OCTOBER 17 - SASKATCHEWAN - Goodeve area - young steer - discovered on Wednesday, estimated dead since the previous Saturday or Sunday - Editor Denis Corneau of the MELVILLE ADVANCE asked the farmer who owned the steer for a description of the mutilation site as he found it:

It was just lying there in the ditch and I couldn't figure out how it got there. I checked and all my fences were okay. But, the animal was just lying there in the ditch, with a leg broken off ... no blood anywhere, either on the animal, or in the ditch. I thought then that it had been hit by either a truck or a car. I noticed an odd semi-circular track going down into the ditch, where the steer had been dumped. But I also noticed that the track did not show any tire imprint. It was strange, really strange. We hauled the steer out of the ditch and back to the farmyard and it was then that I noticed something else about the animal. The tongue was missing and one ear had been cut off, the ear in which had been implanted an ear tag for identification purposes. Then, I noticed that the animal's throat had been cut ... very neatly with something that had to be extremely sharp. The thing is, there was no blood anywhere, either on the animal (where the cuts had been made) or in the ditch. On the steer's abdomen, there was a small white circular impression, as if it had been injected with something. The funny thing is, that steer had been in the pasture before and, when we found it, it was in the ditch alongside the road. Yet there were no tracks leading to or from the pasture - just that odd semi-circular track in the ditch and really just one of those, with



no imprint of a tire. Whatever made that track had to be pretty heavy and there was something else funny about it. In the dirt by the side of the road, the track made an indentation, but when you project where the track went into the ditch through some weeds, the weeds are not broken or damaged in any way. It's just as if whatever dropped the steer there was hanging low above the ground. I just don't know what to make of it ... I noticed that our family dog just wouldn't go near the dead animal and no birds such as crows or magpies would go near it, either. Usually, our dog will at least sniff around something like that and the birds will feed on it. But they seemed to want nothing to do with it. And, you gotta remember that the animal had been lying there dead in the ditch for several days.

Mr. Corneau's informant told him that a number of observers on the nearby Little Black Bear Reserve saw three or four large, silver objects hovering low nearby. When the witnesses flashed their headlights at the objects, the objects quickly took off and left the area. This occurred on Saturday night, during the weekend on which it was suspected that the steer died. (MELVILLE ADVOCATE, 10-24-79).

OCTOBER 20 - SASKATCHEWAN - 25 mi. south of Glentworth, near U.S. border - bovine - rectum, genitals, udder and tongue were missing - no blood at the scene nor even in the ventricles leading to the animal's heart, as if the ventricles had been washed clean - the meat was pink, resembling "chicken meat".

OCTOBER 26 - ALBERTA - 9 mi. east of Esther - twelve-or-thirteen-year-old Hereford cow - udder, anus and at least one ear gone - according to the Oyen, Alberta ECHO (11-2-79), rigor mortis had apparently set in in the front legs but the rear legs were very flexible and "crossed in an unusual way".

OCTOBER 28 - ALBERTA - 16 km. north of Fort Macleod - Hereford cow - fresh, thought done that previous night - tongue, rectum gone - patch of skin near udder removed with a "sharp instrument", according to RCMP Corporal Emil Smetaniuk.

OCTOBER 28 - ALBERTA - Clive - bull (no details).

NOVEMBER 3 - ALBERTA - a field NE of Airdrie - two heifers - one had skin cut away around the jaw and cuts to the vulva and anus; the second had cuts to the anus and rectum. According to RCMP Corporal Randy McKenzie, the first was "carried out in an amateurish fashion" but the other was quite "professional". McKenzie was of the opinion, however, that the same mutilator(s) did both and may have been "just practising or whatever" on the first one. Genitals were not removed from either animal.

NOVEMBER 11 - ALBERTA - Nanton - Hereford heifer - right ear cut off - skin around right eye taken - "precise cuts" with a "sharp instrument".

NOVEMBER 11 - ALBERTA - near Namao - young heifer - genitals and bladder missing - on Chester Crozier's dairy farm.

NOVEMBER 12 - ALBERTA - near Namao - second cow mutilated on Chester Crozier farm - genitals, two teats and a piece of tongue removed - cow was about to give birth - an ear on the unborn calf had been cut off as it lay in the mother's womb.

NOVEMBER 13 or 14 - ALBERTA - near Airdrie - white-faced heifer - genitals not removed but "attempts had been made to take them" - veterinarian and RCMP consultant Dr. David Green of Airdrie confirmed it as a "classic mutilation".

NOVEMBER 13 - ALBERTA - Caroline - bovine (no details).

DECEMBER, 2nd week - ALBERTA - last reported case of 1979; no details available at present.

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There have been a few known or acknowledged UFO reports in the area of some of the Canadian mutilation sites in 1979, but these, by far, are more the exception than the rule. In the vast majority of the cases, nothing is seen and nothing is heard, on the ground or in the air. Even less substantial than the meager UFO reports are a couple of helicopter accounts, all complicated by the fact that there are over 6,000 helicopters registered in Alberta alone - used, for instance, by oil and



energy companies and larger ranching operations.

Despite a flimsy if not non-existent case for the involvement of cult-ists in the Alberta-Saskatchewan mutilations, the RCMP concentrated, at least early on, on this avenue of investigation in their search for culprits (at least this is what was announced). This approach, of course, has already been taken in a number of the United States, all to the same futile end.

Rather than having most or all of the mutilations blamed on predators, as has happened in several states, Canadian authorities have generally conceded that the truly classic mutilation reports represent decidedly unnatural acts. The greatest controversy has not arisen over whether the classic mutilations are caused by predators or by unnatural attackers (although on occasion, predators have been cited in "suspicious" cases) - but over what percentage of the mutilations are "copy-cat" jobs, perpetrated by impudent jerkwater punks attempting to imitate the real thing. One problem that arises is whether, when an attack on an animal seems amateurish, clumsy or sloppy, it indeed represents "copy-catting" or perhaps another oblique aspect of the complex - and subtle - classic mutilation scenario.

Despite the relatively small number of known UFO accounts during the Alberta-Saskatchewan mute siege, the ufonauts, even in Canada, remain a favorite target for finger-pointing. Cult expert and University of Alberta professor Bill Meilen was questioned about mutilations by the EDMONTON SUN(11-13-79). Though he "would like to avoid" the term "UFO", Meilen feels that all the evidence extant regarding mutilations "points to biopsies being performed by beings using a means of flight 'beyond our comprehension'". Meilen told reporter Lance Beswick that among the Canadian mute items of pertinence to be addressed are:

\*\*The discovery of fractures in many of the animals consistent with injuries caused by being dropped from a height of at least 10 feet;

\*\*Thousands of flies found on the corpses died strangely without apparent reason;

**\*\*A seven-year-old heifer whose unborn calf had been removed and mutilated WITHOUT (SUN's emphasis) the placental bag being broken.**

The EDMONTON JOURNAL asked RCMP Corporal Lyn Lauber for his reaction to Meilen's statements and Lauber told the JOURNAL (11-26-79): "We're looking for humans doing these things, not UFOs or little green men." Lauber discounted Meilen's contention that some of the mute carcasses suffered crushed bones as though dropped from the air. "We haven't experienced anything like that in Alberta", said Lauber. Lauber also said it was not true that the unborn calf was mutilated without the placenta having been broken. Lauber added, "We haven't figured out what's killing them, but we are looking at a cult .... there are cults here in Alberta. There's no doubt about that, and we assume that these mutilations are being done for cult practices - either for voodoo, witchcraft or satanism."

A Canadian wire-service story (VANCOUVER SUN, 10-16-79) had Lauber and the RCMP speculating that the mutes might be attributed to introverted, outwardly-respectable persons "bored with their dull lives". Lauber speculated that "outwardly they may appear to have high moral standards and be family-oriented, but they crave some sort of excitement". So, could an insidious, crafty, quietly-desperate band of crazed introverts be grimly taking out their frustrations on helpless bovines? The speculation has it that, operating "during the dark hours, perhaps just before dawn", they would not need light. With a "good hunting knife and a sharpener", they "could do it by feel".

Then, the TORONTO STAR (12-17-79) quoted Corporal Lauber, succinctly summing up his assessment of the possibility of UFO involvement in the mutilations, as saying, "I can't see what the attraction of a bull's ass would be to a UFO."

The controversy continues - which should come as no surprise. In late 1979, in Alberta and Saskatchewan, winter took its time setting in (a climatological anomaly in which some might find or seek significance), but finally it did so; and the mutilations - or at least reports of them - had ceased by mid-December. But they occurred, and that fact cannot be erased from memory nor from history. The noble and justifiably-reputable RCMP may, privately at least, be just a bit humbled by it all. In that, of course, they are not alone. But, on this



occasion, the Mounties did not (yet) get their, er....culprit.

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## BRIEFS

**\*\*In a western state in 1978, a dead or dying horse was found after a UFO hovered over its corral. Several witnesses (including a sheriff & veterinarian) observed that, although there were no visible wounds on the body, the animal was "bleeding" freely. But the blood "dissipated" or evaporated before it could coagulate or drip to the ground. No blood was found on the ground the next morning, nor was any found in the carcass. The witnesses are apparently reluctant to cooperate with investigators, but if more is learned we shall pass it along.**

**\*\*Dr. Nancy H. Owen, a cultural anthropologist at the University of Arkansas, has received a grant from the Arkansas Endowment for the Humanities to investigate "The Impact of Livestock Mutilations on Rural Arkansas Communities". Her final report is due later this year.**

**\*\*THE MUTE STRATEGY, a novel by Albuquerque author and publisher Dave DeWitt, may be, as one reviewer has said, "pulp", but it is also hard-to-put-down, imaginative though not-to-excess, well-written and, like Mervin Casey's earlier THE MUTILATORS, THE MUTE STRATEGY effectively captures the feeling and ambience of a mute-plagued area. \$2.25. Sunbelt Press; P.O. Box 4980; Albuquerque, New Mexico USA 87196.**

**\*\*Special Projects Director Linda M. Howe of McGraw-Hill station KMGH in Denver is producing A STRANGE HARVEST, a documentary on mutilations to be aired, tentatively, in spring, 1980. Early indications for the substance and depth of the documentary sound most promising. Hopefully other stations and networks will exhibit some interest in airing the program.**

**\*\*A movie about mutilations? In Australia?? In 1911!??** David L. Rees of England's Manchester Aerial Phenomena Investigation Team (MAPIT) (publishers of SKYWATCH - 92, Hillcrest Road; Offerton, Stockport, Cheshire, SK2 5SE, England) has sent along the following excerpt from STARBURST MAGAZINE (Vol. I, No. II; Jadwin House; 205-211 Kentish Town Road; London NW5, England):

Australia often gets forgotten as the birth place of the movies. I've done a bit of research myself on the history of aussie SF movies and discovered what must be the first SF (science fiction) movie ever made anywhere. It was called "Haunted Billabong" and appears to have been about the strange mutilation of sheep on a station in Coonabarabran. It was made in 1911 and was actually shot in the old Padstow Studios in Sydney, which have long since been demolished. From what I gather from the research I have done the sheep were mutilated by visitors from outer space and this is only revealed at the end of the movie. Before it was assumed that it was the work of rabid dingos (Australian wild dogs), but at the end you find out a flying saucer had landed in the billabong (a stream bed or channel, usually dry) and was using it as a base. Needless to say, all surviving prints of the film have vanished but I got this info from an old newspaper which reviewed the movie. I dug around a bit and found an archive shot of the director, Tom Jackson.

Mr. Rees reports that a friend of his in Australia is trying to verify the story and obtain more details.

**\*\*Several cattle died in the weeks that followed the disabling accident at the Three Mile Island nuclear plant in Pennsylvania in March of 1979. Nineteen cattle died on a farm  $4\frac{1}{2}$  miles from the plant and two cows died on a farm 3 miles away. The state Agriculture Department reported that laboratory autopsies and tests indicated that "most died of complications in calving and two suffered infections of the uterus." There are rumors making the rounds to the effect that the federal government brought psychics to the plant to see if they could pick up indications of sabotage, and that some of the cattle in the area that died were in fact mutilated. Interesting, but unsubstantiated.**

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